

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

“Building Partnerships for Agriculture’s Future”



OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE -

(502)564-5126 *Establishes policy for the daily operation of the department, provides liaison between agricultural producers and state and federal government, and serves on national committees on behalf of agriculture.*

Commissioner
Billy Ray Smith
(502)564-5126

Chief of Staff/General Counsel
Mark Farrow
(502)564-4696

OFFICE FOR AGRICULTURAL MARKETING & PRODUCT PROMOTION -

(502)564-4696 *Responsible for foreign and domestic market expansion or development for agricultural products produced or processed in Kentucky, market news and agricultural statistics, and licensing of produce dealers. Sponsors livestock shows and agricultural fairs.*

Division of Market Research
Gerald Dotson, Director
(502)564-6571

Division of Show and Fair Promotion
Wendell Bruce, Director
(502)564-4983

Division of Value-Added Dairy Promotion
(502)564-4696

**Division of Value-Added Secondary
Wood Promotion**
John Cotten, Director
(502)564-4696

**Division of Value-Added Horticulture
and Aquaculture Promotion**
James Mansfield, Director
(502)564-4696

**Division of Value-Added Livestock,
Poultry and Forage Promotion**
Mark Straw, Director
(502)564-4896

OFFICE FOR CONSUMER AND PUBLIC SERVICE - (502)564-5126 (Mike Stivers, Executive Director) *Oversees the Consumer Protection Program which inspects scales, gas pumps, amusement rides, limestone, eggs and poultry. Coordinates education efforts of the Teen and Tobacco Program. Coordinates distribution of USDA surplus commodities to schools, non-profit institutions and the needy.*

Division of Regulation and Inspection
Larry Hatfield, Director
(502)564-4870

Division of Food Distribution
Sarah Castanis, Director
(502)564-4387

Grain and Hay Branch
Allen Johnson, Branch Manager
(502)564-3201

OFFICE FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION - (502)564-4696
(Eddie Duvall, Executive Director) *Manages budget preparation and administration. Oversees personnel, staff development and technology. Coordinates internal and external public relations and communications.*

Division of Fiscal and Intergovernmental Management

Eddie Duvall, Director
(502)564-4696

Division of Information Technology

Scott Willett, Director
(502)564-4696

Division of Personnel and Staff Development

Harold Nally, Director
(502)564-4696

Division of Public Relations and Communications

Doug Thomas, Director
(502)564-4696

OFFICE OF THE STATE VETERINARIAN - (502)564-3956 (Dr. Don Notter, Executive Director) *Responsible for monitoring the health and welfare of the state's livestock. Enforces state livestock sanitation and health standards, and protects the state's livestock industry from the spread of disease.*

State Veterinarian

Dr. Don Notter
(502)564-3956

Division of Animal Health

Cecil Goodlett, Director
(502)564-3956

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL OUTREACH - (502)564-4696 (Bill Burnette, Executive Director) *Assists farmers and agribusinesses in addressing environmental concerns. Regulates licensing, labeling and use of pesticides. Provides assistance to local governments in control of noxious weeds and pests. Directs the educational activities of the department.*

Division of Pesticides

John McCauley, Director
(502)564-7274

Division of Pest & Weed

Bill Fraser, Director
(270)575-7162

Division of Agriculture and Environmental Education

Rayetta Boone, Director
(502)564-4696

BOWLING GREEN OFFICE - (270)746-7030

PADUCAH OFFICE - (270)575-7162